## NORTH CAROLINA TRAILS COMMITTEE MEETING SEPTEMBER 7 AND 8, 2012 – 10:00 A.M. CROWN PLAZA RESORT, ASHEVILLE NORTH CAROLINA DRAFT AGENDA

I. Call to Order, Opening Remarks and Introductions Chair Committee II. Approval of 4-13-2012 Minutes III. Business A. Review/Discussion of North Carolina Trails Committee McBane Guidelines - Duties/Responsibilities/Ethics B. State Trails Program Staff Roles and Responsibilities McBane What Do We Do Document C. FHWA – MAP 21 Update McBane D. Update on 2012 RTP Grant Program Newman-Brooks Including: August 1 Deadline Report Who's In and Who's Out **Environmental Review Requirements Grant Review and Contracting Process Flow Chart FHWA Audit** E. Update on 2012-2013 AAT Grant Program Newman-Brooks Including: Round 1 Round 2 F. Discussion of 2012 RTP and AAT Grant Program McBane Concerns

Including: RTP Funding – Maximum and Minimum Grant Awards

AAT Funding – Maximum Grant Award

**DPR and Grant Program Recognition** 

on Publications and Signs

Funding Trail Head and Trail Markers

(give parameters for size and approximate cost)

Funding of Parking Lots, Restrooms, Water Fountains, or Benches

Funding Trail Projects on Lands Managed by Conservation Organizations

Two Day Grant Review Meeting - Time for Reflection

Others? Partial Grants

G. Sustainable Trail Planning Process Flow Chart

Cooper

H. Review/Discuss/Approve Programmatic Definitions

Raynor

I. 2013 RTP Pre Application Process

Johnson

Including: Pre-Application

Pre-Application Release Date - September 14<sup>th</sup>!

Per-Application Due Date – November 1, 2012

Collective Staff Review - High, Medium, Low and No

NCTC Review and Recommends Invitation List

Invitation to High and Medium Applicants

Invitation to Apply - Pending Political Override

J. 2013 RTP Scoring Criteria

McBane

What does the NCTC value for 2013? Review past scoring categories

Stand Alone Trails – with reasonable origin/destination
First Phase of a Multi-Phased Trail Project – with reasonable origin/destinition
Extension Trails - with reasonable origin/destination
The Missing Link (or Gap Trail) - with reasonable origin/destination

K. State Trail Plans McBane

Including: MST and FMST Efforts

Deep River State Trail Planning Efforts
Regional Trail Planning Initiatives
Croatan Regional Bike and Trail Plan
Southwestern Commission Trails Plan
MST Partner Questionnaire
State Trail Evaluation Process

L. Bicycle and Equestrian Trail Task Force Report/Recommendations Johnson

Opportunity for NCTC Involvement

IV. Other Business

North Carolina Trails Conference

North Carolina NCDOT Statewide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

V. Next Meeting Date and Close

## September 8, 2012 Agenda

Continue Meeting if Necessary

And/Or

Tour of Chimney Rock State Park